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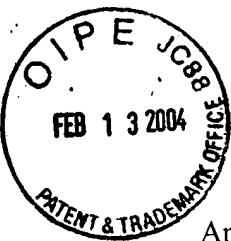
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With regard to the above-identified application, the item listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. The references were previously cited on the Form 1449 mailed to the U.S. Patent Office on September 27, 2002. This submission is of English translations of EP 1 158 590 and EP 1 162 354, which were submitted on September 27, 2002 in their original German language.

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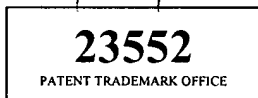
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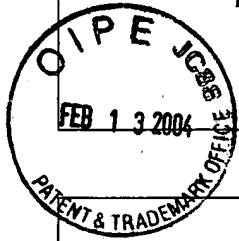
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
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	1 158 590 A2	04/27/2001	EP			X	
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